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LESSON PLAN

A1540, TOTAL FORCE

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New Lesson Plan	Supercedes ABC lesson 1285 dated 7 Aug 00

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

EDUCATIONAL GOALS

A1000 Area Objective: Apply aerospace power capabilities and officership principles to warfighting.

A1500 Phase Objective: Comprehend how aerospace power employment techniques enhance warfighting.

A1540 - TOTAL FORCE

Lesson Objective 1: Know the Air Force Total Force concept.

Samples of Behavior:

(L) 1.1 - Define “Total Force.”

(L) 1.2 - Describe the Total Force concept.

(L) 1.3 - Explain how the Air National Guard and the Air Force Reserve Command contribute to the Total Force.

Lesson Description: This lecture provides students an overview of the Total Force concept and Reserve mobilization policy. It explains the Reserve resources our nation uses and how the five levels of mobilization support the Total Force call-up continuum.

Prerequisites: None

Preparation: None

Optional: N/A

Rationale/Linkage: As part of the A1500 Phase, this lecture covers aerospace power employment techniques and how they enhance warfighting. In particular, this lecture focuses exclusively on the Total Force concept and how the Air Force employs the Total Force to enhance warfighting. As such, this lecture is linked to topics discussed in the A1400 Phase of instruction on Joint operation planning and execution and in the A1600 Phase of instruction on Joint aerospace operation planning and execution. This lecture is linked to these phases because the Air Force employs the Total Force to provide

aerospace forces to CINCs and campaign planners for theater operations. Students must understand that the Active Duty military cannot perform all of its day-to-day missions without operating in concert with the Reserve components. The Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve Command (AFRC), in conjunction with the Active Duty Air Force, forms the Total Force package that the Air Force brings to the Joint fight.